



NOTICE OF ALTERNATIVE APPROVAL PROCESS

An **Alternative Approval Process (AAP)** is a cost-effective method to engage with the community to determine whether there is support for certain initiatives, such as long-term borrowing, or other service-related projects. If 10% or more of the eligible electors oppose the initiative, the SCRD cannot proceed with it and must consider other options including going to an assent vote (referendum).

The SCRD is proposing to utilize long-term borrowing to fund the Langdale Wellfield construction project described below. Eligible electors may submit an Elector Response Form to indicate their **opposition** to the SCRD utilizing long-term borrowing to fund this initiative.

The response must be in the form established by the SCRD or be an accurate copy of the elector response form. Forms are available at the SCRD Field Road Administration office or online at www.scrd.ca/aap.

IMPORTANT NOTICE REGARDING SUBMISSION METHODS:

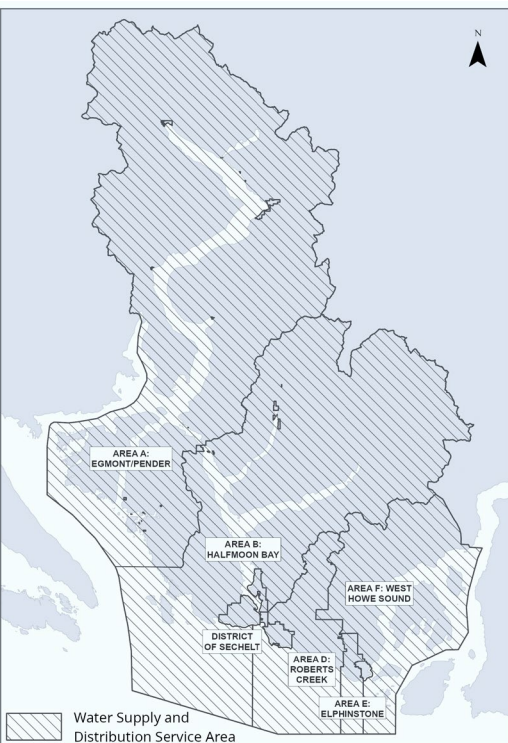
Due to the ongoing Canada Post labour disruption, **mail-in submissions of Elector Response Forms will not be accepted**. Electors may submit completed Elector Response forms by the following two methods:

- ✓ **Email** legislative@scrd.ca (Emailed copies of elector response forms must be a legible, hand-signed, scanned copy).
- ✓ **Drop off at the SCRD in Person** at 1975 Field Road, Sechelt, BC from Monday to Friday, 8:30 am to 4:30 pm, excluding statutory holidays, or drop off after hours in the mail drop slot located on the east side of the building.

DEADLINE for receipt of Elector Response Forms at the SCRD is Monday, November 24, 2025 at 4:30 p.m.
Forms **MUST** be received by the deadline to be counted.

Loan Authorization Bylaw No. 777 Langdale Wellfield Construction Project

SCRD Water Supply and Distribution Area



Description: To improve the water supply of the Chapman Water System, the SCRD is developing a new wellfield located near the BC Ferries Langdale terminal. The Langdale Wellfield would consist of 3 new wells and could produce approximately 60 litres per second, almost 20 l/s more than the Church Road Wellfield, which was completed in 2023. The projects include the construction of 6 km of watermain to connect the wellfield to the Chapman system, a new reservoir, and several pumps. The SCRD Board has directed staff to advance design and construction and to seek elector approval for long-term borrowing. Approval will secure the funds necessary to proceed with detailed design, issuance of construction tenders, and commissioning of the wellfield.

Taxpayer Impact: The bylaw proposes to borrow up to \$13,181,144 to be repaid over a 20-year term. If approved, the costs of the debt will be recovered through the Regional Water Service parcel tax on those properties that have access to SCRD water in the Water Supply

and Distribution Area (Electoral Area A – Egmont / Pender Harbour, B – Halfmoon Bay, D – Roberts Creek, E – Elphinstone, F – West Howe Sound and the District of Sechelt). The average parcel tax would amount to approximately \$97.28 per parcel on an annual basis until the debt is retired. Annual principal and interest payments are estimated at \$1,095,087 over a 20-year term, based on current indicative long-term lending rates. Because the borrowing term exceeds five years, elector approval is required.

Calculation of Eligible Electors:

Only eligible electors within the Water Supply and Distribution Area (Electoral Areas A, B, D, E, F, and the District of Sechelt) are entitled to sign an elector response form. The SCRD may proceed with long-term borrowing to fund the Langdale Wellfield Construction Project unless, by the deadline, at least 10% (**2,197**) of the eligible electors in the service area indicate their opposition thereby requiring the SCRD Board to obtain the assent of electors before proceeding.

Copies of the loan authorization bylaw, the calculation of eligible electors, and other documents or reports related to this initiative may be obtained from the SCRD website at www.scrd.ca/aap, or from the SCRD Field Road Office between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday to Friday, excluding statutory holidays.

More information on the AAP may be obtained by contacting Sherry Reid, Corporate Officer at the SCRD office at 1975 Field Road or by telephone at 604-885-6825, or Kristi Evans, Deputy Corporate Officer, at 604-885-6813.

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